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Sri T. VISWANATHAM :—" With reference to clause (c) enquiring whether the Government have received any reperesentations, the Hon. Minister was pleased to give the very comprehensive answer 'Yes'. When a question of that type is put, we expect the Hon. Minister to say something about the substance of the representation and what the Government propose to do with what has been represented. May I know from the Hon. Minister what the representation was and what action he is going to take on it?"

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Whenever such questions are put, hon. Members are already in possession of a copy of the representation. That was why I thought that it was not necessary to include the details in the answer. However, as the hon. Leader of the Opposition wants, I may say that the following are the important points made in the representations :—

(1) Steps should be taken to retain and absorb the retrenched personnel on the same pay and allowance which they drew at the time of discharge. For giving them immediate relief, orders may be passed to absorb them in the Community Projects Department.

(2) If it is not possible to absorb them, such of those who have been disbanded may be given some gratuity in consideration of the services rendered.

(3) Till all the officers are absorbed in regular service, further recruitment may be stopped.

(4) Steps may be taken to make provision for low-paid staff.

The Board has been consulted on these suggestions and its final report is awaited."

Employees retrenched as a result of decontrol.

* 215 Q.—Sri M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state how many employees of the Government have been retrenched consequent upon the abolition of food control?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" A statement showing the number of posts retrenched as a result of decontrol, has been placed on the table of the House for information, with reference to question No. 213."

Sri PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" ఈ retrenched personnel నుంచి కమ్యూనిటీ ప్రాజెక్టులలోకి ఎంత మందిని తీసుకొన్నారో చెప్పగలరా ?"

Sri T. VISWANATHAM :—" How many of them have been absorbed in Government service and whether any of them have been absorbed in the Community Projects Scheme?"

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The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Nobody was selected for the Community Project Scheme as far as I know. With regard to the actual number who have been absorbed, a separate question may be put."

Sri T. ANANTHA PAI :—" What is the net saving to the exchequer as a result of these retrenchment measures? "

Mr. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member may put a separate question."

Sri M. JAGANNATHAN :—" In view of the fact that there are quite a considerable number of non-gazetted officers belonging to the unfortunate Harijan Community who have been thrown out of employment on account of decontrol, will the Hon. Minister be pleased to take immediate steps to reinstate them in some Government department? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" They will get all the concessions to which Harijans are entitled."

Assignment of lands to political sufferers in South Kanara.

* 216 Q.—Janab M. S. MOGRAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of political sufferers to whom lands have been assigned so far in South Kanara district;

(b) the total acreage so assigned;

(c) the number of political sufferers who refused to accept assignment of lands;

(d) the number of political sufferers who have not so far improved the lands assigned to them;

(e) the number of political sufferers who have surrendered to the Government the lands assigned to them; and

(f) whether any lands already improved and in the possession of other persons, have been assigned to political sufferers?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) 290.

		ACS.
" (b)	Wet	19·34
	Dry	2,050·85
	Garden	0·19
	Total ...	2,070·38

" (c) 8.

" (d) 142.

" (e) 4.

" (f) No such cases."